
FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS



Newsletter



JULY 2022

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PREZ SAYS

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The July meeting will be on the 4th of July again this year. This has happened before and will happen again. I'm still hoping for a good turnout. Our picnic was a success with 31 members showing up. Steve did a great job with the Barbeque and ice. I hope everyone had plenty to eat. Lets hope next year is a little cooler.

Now that we are past the picnic, it is time to put together a committee for the gem show. I hope there are a few brave souls ready to commit to take on this important job. Contracts need to go out in August. There is also a need to do a little research on places to put ads that we don't



have to pay for. If you think you are up for doing this job, let me know. I will have a list of things to do at the meeting. Until then think about what you would want to do. See you in July!

- Frank Rowell



JULY PROGRAM

HELLO, ROCKHOUNDS



Who doesn't like petrified wood? My program will be about the Russell-Zuhi Collection. He is the premier petrified wood dealer in the world, and he will show us the most beautiful, petrified wood you have ever seen.

At the picnic Steve Perez announced that his neighbor was an archeologist and will be at the July meeting to help members identify artifacts they may have in their collection. Please arrive around 6:30 or before so that he can look and identify what you have before the meeting and program begins. Maybe Steve and his neighbor can stay until after the meeting to be able to see and talk to everyone.

Be sure to join us for a jaw-dropping program!!!

Hope to see you there,

— Karen Anderson

P.S. For those of you who missed the picnic, you missed some great food and comradery!! Thank you, Steve Perez, for bringing the BBQ, as well as all of you who brought the delicious side dishes and dessert!!! It was HOT, but friends and food made up for it!!!!!!



Happy Birthday!

- Sara Verstuyft — June 8 (missed from last month)
- Virginia Adian — July 3
- Brenda Smith — July 20
- Andy Anderson — July 29



Please note: If we missed your birthday or have listed it incorrectly, please let us know so we can correct it! fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com

This Month's Events

**** Due to the COVID-19 virus, please use the information provided in each listing to contact the presenters to verify the status of the event. As always, BE SAFE! ****

July 2022

To the best of our knowledge, there are no rock related events happening around our area for the month of August.

- For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit www.rockngem.com



July Birthstone & Flowers

The July birthstone is the **ruby**; the flowers are the **larkspur** and the **water lily**.



Ruby



Larkspur



Water Lily

In ancient times, the ruby was regarded as the “king of gems” by the Hindus. All rubies are red and come in various shades of the hue. Ruby comes from the Latin word *rubeus*, which means “red.”

The ruby is among the hardest natural gemstones, second only to the diamond.

The larkspur can grow up to eight feet tall and comes in a variety of colors such as pink, white, or purple.

Water lilies float on the surface of natural waters such as ponds. They help deter algae growth and provide shade for wildlife below.

- Majoros, Martie. “July Birthstone: Color and Meaning.” Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. June 19, 2018.
- “July Birth Flowers.” Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. June 19, 2018.



Club Membership Forms

Membership application forms for the Fredericksburg Rockhounds are now available to download and print from our website. Please navigate to the new Resources Page located at this address:

<http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/resources/>

Once there, simply click the link for the Membership Form to download or print a PDF copy.



Newsletter Hard Copies & Mail Outs

The club will no longer mail out hard copies of the newsletter to members. Those who have provided the club with an email address will continue to receive notifications via email when the newsletter is published for viewing online.

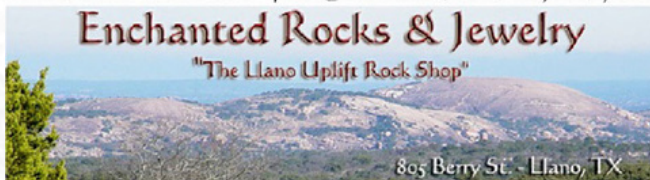
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and cannot access the online newsletters

— <http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/> —

to print your own, then please let an officer of the club know and
arrangements can be made to assist you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us at
fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com.

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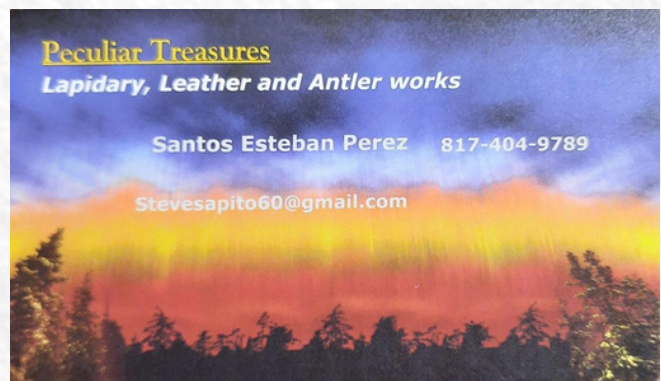
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CLUB INFO

- **Purpose of the Fredericksburg Rockhounds:**

To share knowledge and appreciation of gems, minerals, fossils, and other natural wonders, and the art of jewelry making. We do this through educational monthly meetings, field trips, an annual gem, mineral, & fossil show, and donations to schools. We're affiliated with the American Federation of Mineral Societies, and the South Central Federation of Mineral Societies.

- **Membership and Meetings**

We meet at 7:00 P.M. on the first Monday of each month at the Golden Hub Senior Center, 1009 N Lincoln, Fredericksburg, Texas (except in June, when we have our annual picnic). See map, below.

- **Annual Dues** are \$3 for juniors (under 19 years), \$8 for individuals, and \$15 for families; due in January.
 - **Newsletter correspondence** and newsletter advertising: fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com
 - **All other correspondence:** Fredericksburg Rockhounds, 412 S. Adams St, Fredericksburg TX 78624
 - Visit our website at fredericksburgrockhounds.org for more club info, field trip news, club photos, resources, and previous newsletters.
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Club Officers and Committee Chairs

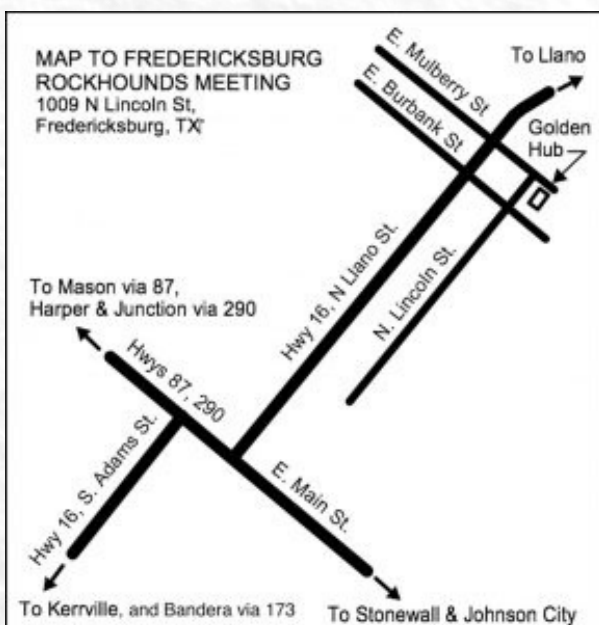
Club Officers:

- President: Frank Rowell
- 1st Vice President: Steve Perez – (817) 404-9789
- 2nd Vice President: Karen Anderson
- Past President: Lee Adams – (830) 796-8890
- Treasurer: Jim Gedeon – (830) 456-5419
- Secretary: Brenda Smith – (830) 895-9630

Committee Chairs:

- Programs: Karen Anderson
- Field Trips: Patti Felts – (325) 247-6040
- and Sam Rodgers – (210) 240-7721
- Hospitality: Vacant
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- Historian: Sara Verstuyft – (830) 998-7350
- Media Equipment: John Crone – (830) 990-9823
- Annual Show: Vacant
- Newsletter: Daryan Jones - (443) 926-1063

Monthly Meeting Map



Newsletter Articles and Club Info

- **Articles for each month's newsletter** must be received by the **15th of the month**.
- Send them to your newsletter editor via email: fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com
- You may also use the form on our Contact Page to submit your articles: <http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/contact-us>
- A copy of the Club **MEMBERSHIP LIST** is available **TO MEMBERS ONLY**, via email (or paper mail if necessary). Contact Steve Perez at stevesapito60@gmail.com or 817-404-9789
- The **Club CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS** are posted on our website: fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution